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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 3, 2003, Applicants submit the following Amendments and Remarks.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper; however, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any deficiencies to Deposit Account Number 07-2339.

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In this Response, Applicants amend the specification for form matters regarding trademarks, and Applicants further amend independent claims 1, 8, and 13. Claims 1-17 are thus pending after entry of the amendment. The claim amendments are intended to expedite prosecution, are not related to patentability, and are presented to correct typographical and form matters.